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Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action mailed December 5, 2001, in the above-captioned case, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following remarks.

Remarks

Claims 1-33 are currently pending, of which Claims 1-10, 17-28, and 33 are being examined and Claims 11-16 and 29-32 have been withdrawn without prejudice. Claims 1-10, 17-28, and 33 were rejected in the Office Action.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

R&D Focus News Reference

Claims 1-8, 17-28, and 33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by R&D Focus Drug News of August 24, 1998. According to the Office Action, the R&D Focus News reference teaches a PEGylated recombinant uricase and "[b]ecause the referenced uricase